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The House met at 12 noon.

The Chaplain, Rev. James David Ford, D.D., offered the following prayer:

We pray for Your blessing, gracious God, in all the moments of life from the morning light to eventide, from the rush of activity that greets each day to the quiet and solitude when work is over and time is past. Our petitions reach out to You, O God, from the early instants of life through all the encounters of daily living until we rest from our labors and the burdens of life are over. As we contemplate the opportunities that are before us, we pray that Your benediction will ever be with us, Your counsel will lead us in the right path, and Your grace will be sufficient for our every need. In Your name, we pray. Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House his approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER. Will the gentleman from Mississippi [Mr. MONTGOMERY] come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. MONTGOMERY led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

A message from the Senate by Ms. McDevitt, one of its clerks, announced that the Senate had passed with

amendments bills of the House of the following titles in which concurrence of the House is requested:

H.R. 2428. An act to encourage the donation of food and grocery products to non-profit organizations for distribution to needy individuals by giving the Model Good Samaritan Food Donation Act the full force and effect of law; and

H.R. 3269. An act to amend the Impact Aid program to provide for a hold-harmless with respect to amounts for payments relating to the Federal acquisition of real property, and for other purposes.

The message further announced that the Senate agrees to the report of the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendments of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 3754) "An act making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1997, and for other purposes."

The message also announced that the Senate has passed bills and concurrent resolutions of the following titles in which the concurrence of the House is requested:

S. 1130. An act to provide for the establishment of uniform accounting systems, standards, and reporting systems in the Federal Government, and for other purposes;

S. 1559. An act to make technical corrections to title 11, United States Code, and for other purposes;

S. 1662. An act to establish areas of wilderness and recreation in the State of Oregon, and for other purposes;

S. 1735. An act to establish the United States Tourism Organization as a non-governmental entity for the purpose of promoting tourism in the United States.

S. 1834. An act to reauthorize the Indian Environmental General Assistance Program Act of 1992, and for other purposes;

S. 1873. An act to amend the National Environmental Education Act to extend the programs under the Act, and for other purposes;

S. 1931. An act to provide that the United States Post Office and Courthouse building located at 9 East Broad Street, Cookeville, Tennessee, shall be known and designated as the "L. Clure Morton United States Post Office and Courthouse";

S. Con. Res. 52. Concurrent resolution to recognize and encourage the convening of a National Silver Haired Congress;

S. Con. Res. 68. Concurrent resolution to correct technical errors in the enrollment of the bill, H.R. 3103; and

S. Con. Res. 70. Concurrent resolution to correct technical errors in the enrollment of the bill, H.R. 1975.

The message also announced that pursuant to Public Law 104-132, the Chair, on behalf of the minority leader, appoints Donald C. Dahlin, of South Dakota, as a member of the Commission on the Advancement of Federal Law Enforcement.

The message also announced that pursuant to Public Law 104-132, the Chair, on behalf of the President pro tempore, appoints Robert M. Stewart, of South Carolina, as a member of the Commission on the Advancement of Federal Law Enforcement.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,
U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, August 5, 1996.

Hon. NEWT GINGRICH,
The Speaker, House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 5 of Rule III of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following messages from the Secretary of the Senate on Monday, August 5, 1996 at 2:35 p.m.: that the Senate agreed to conference report S. 1316, that the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 1975, that the Senate agreed to conference report H.R. 3103, that the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 3139, that the Senate agreed to conference report H.R. 3448, that the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 3680, that the Senate passed without amendment

□ This symbol represents the time of day during the House proceedings, e.g., □ 1407 is 2:07 p.m.

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